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Dear Dr. Mahler,

Thank you for your letter of February 2md inviting me to remain with your ACMR for one more year. In view of the fact that I am told that many of my own recommendations concerning deeper responsibilities for ACMR may be coming to fruition during just this period, it would be difficult for me not to respond; and I am happy to accept your invitation in that light.

I have just seen the current number of the WHO Journal January 1976 and a headline noting that "PAHO/AMRO Reorganizes its HQ". The article deals with some of the same matters that my previous correspondence to you has concerned. The only additional remarks! would make would be the utility of looking into the procedure by which Dr. Akunja devised his plan for reorganization.

Sincerely yours,

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